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Dear Dan:

It was a real pleasure to meet you and work with you in Cleveland. As President Elect of AAP, I would like to officially thank you for coming, and personally I would like to add my own thanks, and tell you of my real excitement as a result of our meeting.

I have begun to rekindle my activism, which has been latent since we got the troops out of Viet Nam. You might like to know that I was actively resisting the war as far back as 1964. I worked on my brother all the years that he was deputy Assistant Secretary, then Assistant Secretary, for Public Affairs in the Defense Department, and I am sure that his conversion of Clifford from a hard hawk to a much more dovish position was the direct result of my converting him. It was my idea that the C of C's and the Secretaries get together back in March of (was it 1967?), which meeting resulted in Johnson announcing the end of the bombing of Hanoi, and the beginning of the pullback, and his own decision not to run again. The continued pressure then resulted in the cessation of the bombing of North Viet Nam in November (HA!).

I haven't decided yet what to do about my activism - I'm going to start by getting together with Alan Cranston at some time, and I am certainly going to start writing letters again - and I want to do more than that. Of course I use the opportunities I have to meet with people from all over the country here, to continually push for intervention by the citizens, and by the voters - but there is more to do than that, I am sure.

At any rate, I would like to get together with you again, just on a one to one basis (or two to two, for my wife Mary has been a non-violence pacifist for much longer than I); my faculty also expresses considerable interest in meeting you, but that can wait until some other time. Are you interested in getting together? We have a great place here on our mountain, with a large house, 200+ acres of land, horses, fish, ducks, pheasants, deer (none of which we shoot of course!). The only thing we seem to lack is time, but if you would like to come down with Pat, I am sure that we could work out some times. We are doing workshops most of the time, when we are here, and we go away a lot, but after the first of the year we have some open time.

I would like very much to hear from you. Because you said that Pat has started a Ph.D. program, I am enclosing our brochure - not to entice Pat to come here for some of her training, but just to let you and her know what we do. We are looking forward to meeting.

Yours in peace

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